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Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application;

Listing of claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A transmitting/receiving system for transmitting/receiving data, provided with a data back-up function, comprising:

a plurality of transmitting/receiving apparatuses connected to each other via a network or telephone line, at least one of the transmitting/receiving apparatus-apparatuses including:

storage means for storing transmitting/receiving data, the storage means being realized by a volatile memory, and

a control section for setting and registering in advance a destination transmitting/receiving apparatus to which data stored in the storage means is to be transferred; and

control means for transferring the data stored in the storage means of a the transmitting/receiving apparatus whose power source is shut down, to the destination transmitting/receiving apparatus which is set and registered in advance by the control section of the transmitting/receiving apparatus to store and hold the data.

Claim 2 (original): The transmitting/receiving system for transmitting/receiving data, provided with a data back-up function of claim 1, wherein the control section of the transmitting/receiving apparatus sets a confidential transmission while setting and registering the transmitting/receiving apparatus to which the data is to be transferred.

Claim 3 (original): The transmitting/receiving system for transmitting/receiving data, provided with a data back-up function of claim 1, wherein the transmitting/receiving apparatus further includes a backup power source for storing and holding the data stored in the storage means and the control means supplies power from the backup power source to the storage means of the

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transmitting/receiving apparatus whose power source has been shut down and carries out the transferring process by the power supplied from the backup power source.

Claim 4 (original): The transmitting/receiving system for transmitting/receiving data, provided with a data back-up function of claim 1, further comprising:

storage means composed of a non-volatile memory for storing completion data transferred from the transmitting/receiving apparatus of the transfer destination indicative of the completion of data transfer,

wherein the control means informs of the transmitting/receiving apparatus to which the data has been transferred based on the completion data stored in the storage means when the power source of the transmitting/receiving apparatus recovers from shutdown.

Claim 5 (new): A system for receiving and transmitting data, provided with a data back-up function, comprising:

a plurality of apparatuses for transmitting and receiving data, the apparatuses being connected to each other via a network or telephone line, at least one of the apparatuses including:

an image information memory for storing data in a volatile memory; and

a control display section for setting and registering in advance a destination

apparatus to which data stored in the image information memory is to be transferred; and

a transmitting/receiving control section for transferring the data stored in the image information memory to the destination apparatus when a power source is shut down.

Claim 6 (new): The system of claim 5, wherein the transmitting/receiving control section transfers the stored data to the destination apparatus when the power source is shut down.

Claim 7 (new): The system of claim 6, wherein the transmitting/receiving control section sends a confirmation command to the destination apparatus prior to transferring the stored data to the destination apparatus.

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Claim 8 (new): The system of claim 5, wherein the control display section accepts a plurality of other destinations to serve as the destination apparatus if the destination apparatus is not available.

Claim 9 (new): The system of claim 8, wherein when the power source is shut down, the transmitting/receiving control section sends a confirmation command to the destination apparatus, and if accepted, transfers the stored data to the destination apparatus.

Claim 10 (new): The system of claim 9, wherein when the transmitting/receiving control section determines that the destination apparatus is not available, the transmitting/receiving control section reads at least one of the other destinations.

Claim 11 (new): The system of claim 5, wherein after the power source is shut down, a switching control section automatically switches to a backup power source.

Claim 12 (new): The system of claim 11, wherein the switching control section monitors the backup power source, and when electric energy that enables the data to be stored in the image information memory falls below a threshold value, the transmitting/receiving control section transfers the stored data to the destination apparatus.